









Thursday Morning, July 16, 1868.

## Municipal Council.

Tuesday, July 14, 1868.

Council met at the usual hour. Present, the Mayor and Councillors Lewis, Allatt, Gibbs, Crump and Jeffery.

A notification from the Secretary of the Water Co. of street excavations for Company purposes was read and filed.

A petition from property owners, directing attention to a dangerous sidewalk on Store street, was referred to the Street Committee.

A communication was read from P Smith and others, directing the Council's attention to the offensive condition of the drain on Government street between Johnson and Yates street. Referred to the Sanitary Committee.

Douglas street property holders deferred petition, for the grading of same from Fort to Humboldt street was taken up. The Clerk was instructed to ascertain from applicants the amount they would be willing to contribute towards the improvement.

Like petitions from property holders on Pandora and Figgard streets were similarly disposed of.

On motion of Councillor Gibbs the sum of \$10 was set apart for the purpose of destroying those thieves.

The Street Committee were empowered to see to the repair of the steps at the corner of Government and Humboldt streets.

The Council then adjourned till Tuesday next.

## Further Exploration.

A committee of gentlemen—Doctors Ash, Tolmie, and D Lenevne, Esq., has taken in hand the matter of exploring that part of this island north of a line drawn from Nootka Sound to the east coast, and which was left unfinished four years since, when the Government Exploring Expedition under Dr Brown travelled over the more southern and western section of the country. The committee have waited on His Excellency the Governor in regard to the matter, and he promises to second the effort by granting two-thirds of the amount required, (about \$500 the whole) the balance or one-third to be contributed by the public, and in addition also to apply to the Admiralty for the use of a gunboat to convey the party to the starting point, where Gold river enters the sea at Nootka Sound. An intelligent officer Mr Leech, late of the Royal Engineers, who was connected with the expedition already referred to, will be engaged to head the party. It is known that extensive prairies exist, and that a rich mineral district will be met with, the details concerning which, it is the intention of the committee to make known to the public by the labors of a small but well appointed exploring party.

NAVAL DOCKYARD.—Under the energetic management of Admiral Hastings, the dockyard at Esquimalt is becoming very complete in its different branches. The War Department Stores, Naval Stores and Victualling Department are now thoroughly efficient, and capable of equipping any naval vessel. During the last two years a factory for engineering purposes has been gradually brought to completion, and to a certain extent, is now capable of supplying all the material and most of the work of the navy. Slips, boat-houses and blacksmith's shops have also been added. In addition, Admiral Hastings has formed a coal depot close to the dockyard; it being his intention to keep a supply of 1000 tons constantly on hand to meet all current demands and necessities. The hospital, kept in admiralty order, is capable of accommodating 50 seamen and 10 officers, and is under the charge of a resident medical officer. Lastly, the seamen's mess, situated on Tuesday, will be a great convenience and advantage to the navy authorities. The expense of interring seamen in Victoria was about £9 per funeral; whereas under the present arrangement it will be comparatively small, besides being on principle preferable in every respect, for the navy to have its own cemetery in the neighborhood of the station. Altogether the naval dockyard is now very efficient, and reflects much credit upon the authorities in charge of the squadron and the different departments. It is hoped and expected that larger and more extensive works, requiring the labor of many men, will be commenced next year certainly.

THE U.S.S. Pensacola, flagship of Admiral Thatcher, arrived at Esquimalt at two o'clock p.m. yesterday, having returned with the Forward in consequence of the wreck of the Suwanee. The zealous and Pensacola gave and received the usual salute. It is stated that Admiral Thatcher will not proceed to the scene of the wreck. The following is the list of the Pensacola's officers: Rear Admiral, H K Thatcher; Fleet Captain, Paul Shirley; Fleet Surgeon, J W Taylor; Fleet Paymaster, G L Davis; Fleet Engineer, E D Robie; Executive Officer, H L Howison; Lieut Commander, A Kautz; Flag Lieut Commanders, G K Haswell, W A Van Vleck; Chaplain, J H Eldridge; Lieutenants, S Howard, J H Eldridge; Passed Asst. Surgeons, N H Adams, G W Woods; First Assistant Engineer, A V Fraser; Second Asst Engineers, H H Cline, J J Barry, T McIlwail; Ensigns, J Marthion, F Turnbull; Midshipmen, F A Howes, A Craven, H Perkins, J C Logan, W S Cowles, E Dennison; Third Asst Engineers, J H Diamond, J Elliott, F Van Brunt; Admiral's Clerk, E B Coolidge; Captain's Clerk, F Klapp; Fleet Paymaster's Clerk, J H Jackson; Paymaster's Clerk, G Rickets.

St. Andrew's Society.—At a monthly meeting held at the St George Hotel on Tuesday night, Alexander Watson, Esq., inspector of the Bank of British Columbia, was elected President of the Society, in the room of J G Shepherd, Esq., who left us yesterday on the California.

SAILED.—The steamer California didn't get off until half-past ten o'clock yesterday morning.

DESTRUCTION OF GOWEN & LOEWEN'S DISTILLERY AND FLOUR MILLS.—Shortly after ten o'clock last night a fire broke out in the distillery and flour mills on the Indian Reserve, owned by Messrs Gowen & Loewen, of this city. From the isolated position of the premises and the difficulty of approach the fire-engines were unable to render any assistance, although the members of the department were promptly on the spot. The Hook & Ladder Co. saved a trifling amount of property. The building is totally consumed, and about 1000 gallons of spirits together with a couple of tons of grain. The premises are insured in the Phoenix for the sum of ten thousand dollars, which will cover something like two-thirds of the property consumed. A watchman who sleeps in the building was absent in town attending the drill of the Deluge Engine Co., and remained over when the alarm was sounded by the Company mentioned. From the nature of the property the glare of the conflagration lit up the whole city. But a short time elapsed before the entire structure was a mass of flames. There is no accounting for the origin of the fire, and we are sorry to think; and the firemen censure the owners of boats in the neighborhood, in that they could not be had for the use of the fire department. In some cases it is said they were positively refused. We hope this is an error. The agent of the Phoenix, Mr Bevan, was present during the conflagration.

FROM THE MAINLAND.—The Enterprise arrived yesterday afternoon, with twelve passengers, the mails, and a Cariboo Express. We take the following from the *Yale Examiner*:—The celebration of Dominion Day has developed a strong Dominion feeling, and henceforth the 1st of July will be the great festival day of the year.—The road tolls collected at Yale during the year amount to \$16,237 07, against \$12,970 14 in the same period last year. For last June they were \$4,523 07; for June 1867, they were \$3,769 66.—Arrangements are being made for holding an Agricultural Exhibition at Yale this fall. At a meeting held at Mr Sutton's Saloon, the following Committee was organized: Mr Charles Evans, Chairman; Mr A Barlow, Secretary; Mr J Reese Treasurer; and Messrs Sutton, Gladwin, Killip and Havelock, members. Mr H Sutton has placed his large building on Douglas street, at the service of the Committee for the Exhibition.—A quantity of material for the new steamer designed to run between Big Bar and Quenelmouth, was sent forward a few days ago.—Goods to the extent of 134,000 lbs were forwarded out of Yale last week.

FOURTH OF JULY AT PORTLAND.—The celebration in this city passed off very well so far as the Committee of Arrangements and officers of the day had to do with it. The committee had invited everybody and the rest of mankind, and had made a programme comprehensive enough for all of them; but the mass of the people seemed to take less than the ordinary interest in the celebration. The procession, instead of being a mile or two long, embracing all the societies, clubs, organizations, trades, etc. of the city, as the committee desired, and as they labored hard to have it, was but four or five blocks in length, with only a part of the City Council, only part of the Fire Department, only one Base Ball club, only four or five representatives of trades and business, and a beggarly amount of citizens in carriages. These of course did not constitute the whole of the procession, but in the respects named it was a decidedly fractional affair. The fact cannot be disguised that the procession was a failure as to numbers.—*Oregonian*.

THE HOUSE OF LORDS.—Of late years this body has rarely ventured to refuse a recommendation in the action of the House of Commons, and has exerted but little positive influence on English politics, its sessions becoming a mere matter of form, and the attendance scanty upon such occasions, dwindling down to a few elderly gentlemen. The Irish Church question, however, aroused the heat and energy it still retains, and converted their chamber into the scene of a fierce contest. On the division, when they beat the roll by a majority of five, the opposing elements were brought out in full force, and the House was attended by a crowd of spectators, including a large sprinkling of the Royal family, that has not been witnessed for a long time.

THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.—It is officially announced that the Democratic Convention in New York, which, on the 22nd ballot, nominated Seymour for President, have recognized the complete destruction of slavery and the overthrow of the busy of secession as the result of the late war. It is well to accept the situation even at the eleventh hour, but the tardiness of the recognition of a principle which has existed so long will, we fear, be remembered against the Democrats in the approaching national election.

CONGRATULATORY.—The following telegram was the first message sent over the indirect from Cariboo which was completed on the 5th inst.

BARKERVILLE, B C, July 1, 1868.

To Hon H L Langevin, Secretary of State of Canada,

Cariboo celebrates to-day, and sends congratulations. God save the Queen at the Dominion.

(Signed) R W W CARROLL, H E SEELYE.

PORT TOWNSEND.—At a ball given by Admiral Thatcher and officers of the *Pensacola* on Tuesday night, an invitation was politely sent to the officers of the *Forward*, who, however, they were unable to accept. But Larkum and his officers received every possible attention during their short stay at the Sound.

SAN FRANCISCO.—Fires and suicides especially the latter, appear the order of the day just now in this city. The papers are full with accounts of them.

POLICE COURT.—John McGuire, for disobedience of orders on board the California, was discharged on the application of Capt Winsor. A Simeon Duros, for selling whiskey to Indians, was fined \$100 to be levied by distress, and in default of payment to be sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labor.

TELEGRAPHIC.—A party of gentlemen connected with the Western Union Telegraph line left on the Leviathan yesterday morning, to examine the break in the San Juan cable. Messrs Mumford and Gamble of California are the guests of Gov Seymour.

NAVAL.—H M S Reindeer sailed from Honolulu for Tahiti on the 1st of June. The U S S Mohongo was the only vessel of war in port.

HURT.—A child of Mr Bunster's was badly injured in the head from the kick of a horse, last evening.

DRILL.—The Deluge Fire Company was out on drill last evening, corner of Government and Yates streets.

THE MONETA.—This vessel, after all her misfortunes and troubles, sails for San Francisco to-day.

Who has always been the most imperious Caesar—seizer? The Sheriff.

When can people be said to have a musical diet? When they take a piano for tea.

By Electric Telegraph.

SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.

LAST NIGHT'S DESPATCHES.

## Europe.

PARIS, July 10.—In a speech in the Corps Legislatif Baroche Minister of Justice, declared that the spoliation of the Church and State was only a question of time.

LONDON, July 11.—The leading papers including the *Standard*, *News*, *Herald* and others, consider Seymour's defeat certain.

BERLIN, July 11.—By virtue of the provisions of the naturalization treaty with the United States; have been stayed all prosecutions against adopted citizens; and American German citizens who have been sentenced or imprisoned will be released forthwith.

## United States.

CHICAGO, July 13.—Specials to morning papers say that several politicians and members from Tammany Convention and some who are dissatisfied (?) with the nomination of Grant are trying first to compel Seymour to withdraw or failing in this, endeavor to enlist Chase or some prominent statesman as third candidate for the Presidency. Should Chase refuse President, The Convention will be held Aug. 8th at Pittsburg or Cincinnati.

NEW YORK, July 9.—F. P. Blair was nominated for Vice-President unanimously, the Convention adjourned immediately after this nomination.

## California.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 11.—Rear Admiral Thatcher will be relieved on the 6th of August by Rear Admiral Craven, Commodore Allen will take command of the navy yard on the 5th of August.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—Steamer Constitution sails for Panama to-morrow. The steamer Alaska arrived to-day.

Wheat nominal, range for new, \$1 80 @ 1 90.

Barley, new \$1 85 @ 1 87 1/2; old, feed and brewing \$1 90 @ 2 00.

Oats, \$2 20 @ 2 40.

Sailed—Barkentine Fremont, Seabeck.

## TELEGRAPHIC DISPATCHES.

NEW YORK, July 8.—The Convention met at 10 A. M. The Hall was filled in every part. No prayer was offered.

The following was announced as the National Executive Committee: Alabama, John Forsyth; Arkansas, John M. Herriek; California, John Bigler; Connecticut, M. Convers; Delaware, Saml. Townsend; Florida, Charles E. Dyck; Georgia, A. H. Collicut; Illinois, Wilbur F. Storey; Indiana, Wm. Black; Iowa, Daniel D. First; Kansas, J. Eaton; Kentucky, Thomas C. McCreery; Louisiana, Joseph McConnelly; Maine, Sylvanus R. Lyman; Maryland, Odin Bowie; Massachusetts, Frederick O. Prince; Michigan, William A. A. Moor; Minnesota, C. W. Nash; Mississippi, C. E. Hooker; Missouri, Charles A. Stewart; Nevada, J. W. McCordle; New Hampshire, Henry Bingham; New Jersey, John M. Gregor; New York, August Belmont; North Carolina, Thomas Briggs; Ohio, John G. Thompson; Oregon, J. C. Hawthorne; Pennsylvania, Isaac E. Hoister; Rhode Island, Gideon Bradford; South Carolina, Charles H. Simonton; Tennessee, John W. Sedgwick; Texas, John Hancock; Vermont, Henry B. Smith; Virginia, John Gord; West Virginia, John Hall; Wisconsin, Fred W. Horne.

Fish, of Indiana, made a short speech and nominated Hendricks. He said the delegation had voted a reasonable time for Pendleton and thought they should still adhere to the gentleman from Ohio, and a minority of the delegates expressed the highest respect for Hendricks, but he said the State Convention had instructed the delegates to vote for Pendleton.

The roll was then called on the seventh ballot. Missouri and a portion of Tennessee voted for Pendleton whose name was vociferously cheered. A recess of 15 minutes was then taken.

On the eighth ballot Louisiana went

over to Pendleton. At the conclusion of the call New York withdrew the name of Church and cast a solid vote for Hendrick. This was received with frantic cheering mingled with hisses.

The remaining ballots showed little change till the twelfth, when California cast half a vote for Chase. There was long, continued applause in the galleries. A scene of confusion ensued. A motion was made to clear the galleries, but not acted on. Tennessee gave one vote for McClellan and the galleries applauded, though not so long as for Chase. Pennsylvania still kept voting solid for Asa Packer. A recess of 15 minutes was had.

On the ninth ballot; North Carolina voted solid for Hancock instead of Pendleton; Virginia went for Hancock, dropping Pendleton; California voted variously on different ballots; generally giving Pendleton 3. Oregon gave a solid vote for Pendleton.

On the fifteenth ballot Pennsylvania went solid for Hancock amid great cheers. This ballot stood, Pendleton 129 1/2, Hancock 79 1/2; Hendrick 82 1/2. Packer, Johnson and Doolittle, each received the same vote as before.

On the sixteenth ballot Arkansas changed from Pendleton to Hancock. Georgia gave 6 1/2 for Hancock. Louisiana and Mississippi left Pendleton and voted solid for Hancock. The result was Hancock 114 1/2, Pendleton 107 1/2; Hendrick 70 1/2. Several delegations retired for consultation.

On the 17th ballot Alabama changed from Pendleton to Hancock.

CHICAGO, July 8, 4 o'clock P. M.—On the thirteenth ballot, Pennsylvania went for Hancock. The ballot then stood: Pendleton, 129 1/2; Hendricks, 81 1/2; Hancock, 79 1/2.

On the 18th ballot, Pendleton 56 1/2; Hancock, 143 1/2; Hendricks, 87; Hoffman Mayor of New York, 3.

A row broke out in the Illinois delegation. Their chairman cast the vote solid for Hendricks. A delegate protested. Pending this row, the convention adjourned till to-morrow.

NEW YORK, July 9.—On the 22d ballot, Horatio Seymour, of New York, was nominated for President.

NEW YORK, July 7.—While Peter Caggar and John E. Devlin were riding in Central Park last night, their horses ran off and threw both gentlemen out of the vehicle. Caggar was found about midnight dead—his neck broken. Devlin is still unconscious and lies in a critical condition.

NEW YORK, July 7.—The Soldiers' and Sailors' Convention met at noon. Gen. Franklin was not present, owing to indisposition. Gen Denver of California took the chair.

Slocum reported a resolution from the committee on platform, reciting that a nominal interchange had been had with the Democratic Convention which had fully confirmed our former estimate of the purity and patriotism of that body, and fully justified the belief that in the selection of candidates and construction of the platform, the Convention will be governed by the spirit of the address adopted by this body. Therefore,

Resolved, That we will support their nominees, and on our return home, will induce our late comrades in arms to do likewise.

Col. Campbell of Ohio, moved to lay the report of the Committee on the table. He was unwilling to indorse the Democratic platform or candidates without knowing what they were.

A scene of great confusion ensued, and the vote was finally taken by States, when Campbell's motion was lost, and the report of the Committee adopted; only seven votes being in the negative.

General Ewing introduced a resolution favoring the preservation of the integrity of the national bank currency and the substitution of greenbacks, a policy favoring the few as against the many and leading to practical repudiation.

A delegate from California raised a point of order that the resolution should go to the Committee without debate. A motion to suspend the rules and allow the resolution to be passed, was lost; 78 to 197; so the resolution went to the Committee.

The platform of the Democratic Convention was then read and received with applause and a resolution accepting the platform unanimously passed.

General Buckner, late of the Confederate army, was called for and greeted with cheers. He said he wanted dead issues to be buried, as the brave soldiers on both sides had been buried, and both sections of the country united in unity and peace.

A resolution of thanks to the officers of the Convention was passed, and thereupon they adjourned sine die.

## California.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 3.—A National testimonial to Cyrus W Field is on the tapis in London. The Duke of Argyle, Lord Carnarvon and others who took the lead in the dinner given in London this week, have telegraphed to the Governors of the English colonies, 42 or so in number, asking them to inaugurate testimonial funds to the author of the ocean telegraph.

The authorities last night seized two hundred and eight boxes of opium at the shop of Kimball & Clark, shipwrights in Stewart street. The opium was taken to the Appraiser's store as contraband of commerce. Mr Kimball claims that he came into possession of the drug as special secret United States detective. It is thought the opium was smuggled off a vessel from Victoria.

Edward Harobham sues the Merchants' Exchange and J W Wood, to recover \$20,000, damages for being knocked down and run over by defendant's horse a few months since.

Beriah Brown has sued the city and county for \$50,000 damages for the destruction of the *Democratic Press* in April, 1865.

Gen Placido Vega, well known here and in Western Mexico, arrived on the last boat with his wife.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 5.—The celebration yesterday passed off in good style. The procession was very long and occupied an hour and a quarter in passing the corner of Montgomery and Washington streets. The streets as usual upon such occasions, were crowded with dense masses of people all of whom appeared to enjoy themselves highly. The exercises at Platt's Hall passed off very suc-

cessfully, with exception of some dissatisfaction which was caused by Mr Winans, orator of the day, expressing his own political views in regard to national affairs.

The display of fireworks in the evening was witnessed by an immense number of people. The fireworks were excellent, but the effect was in a great measure destroyed by a heavy fog which hung over the city during the evening. No serious accidents in the city have been reported.

A terrible accident occurred at the Oakland wharf last evening. About 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon a large number of people were going on board the steamer El Capitain, when the chains by which the movable wharf is hung gave way, and about one hundred persons were precipitated into the water. They were rescued as rapidly as possible, but two men, one woman and a child are known to have been drowned.

A splendid regatta took place yesterday. Twenty-three boats entered for the prize. The Randall won the prize for the first class sloops, and the Allen Stoffel won the prizes for round bottomed schooners. The Champion took the prize for schooners and scows.

## Cariboo News.

(From the Sentinel of the 2nd and 6th June.)

On the 28th ult, Robt. Buddie, a native of Scotland, died at the Royal Hospital. . . . The 1st of July being the day on which the half-yearly trades licenses became due; \$5000 were received at the Treasury, Richmond. . . . Wheat is being ground at the Soda Creek Mill for half a cent per pound.

## MINING INTELLIGENCE.

## WILLIAM CREEK.

Wash-ups for the week:—Forest Rose, 103 ozs; Lillocut, 60 ozs; Raby, 50 ozs; Baldhead, 60 ozs; Cariboo about wages; Sheepskin, 25 ozs; Aurora, 35 ozs; Welsh, about wages; California, 40 ozs. Two hydraulic companies have commenced to wash up; the Cornish co 88 ozs for the week. The Wilson co washed up for the two last weeks 60 and 90 ozs respectively.

## STOUT GULCH.

The Floyd co washed up 60 ozs for the week; the Alturas did not clean up; the Taft Vale 200 ozs; the Jenkins 75 ozs; the Mucho Oro 58 ozs.

## CONKLIN GULCH.

The Reed co. and the Renfrew are paying wages.

## M'ARTHUR GULCH.

The Try-again co is taking out good pay, and the New Brunswick co wages.

## LOWRIE CREEK.

The Calaveras is still paying well at the rate of 150 ozs per week.

## BEAUGULCH.

Two companies are making wages.

## MOSQUITO GULCH.

We learn that the Minnehaha declared a dividend of \$204 to the interest for the week, and the Tom and Jerry cleaned up 23 ozs. The other claims have done as well as usual.

STRIKES.—A company of Cornishmen struck a prospect of \$125 to the pan, on Martin Gulch, on Tuesday evening. Quite a number rushed to the new strike, and in a few hours the whole creek was staked off. The Hiawatha co bottomed their shaft on Tuesday, at a depth of 75 feet, and found the bed-rock pitching towards Red Gulch. They got a prospect of 3 ozs on the bed-rock. The Never Fail co got their wheel running yesterday, and commenced sinking. Tom and Jerry co have commenced work again. The Hiawatha claim helps to drain their shaft. The Morning Star co washed up their ground sluice bed yesterday, preparatory to laying the sluice-boxes, and took up about 20 ozs oro.

TO THE LADIES.—Messrs J. H. Turner & Co., Government street, beg to inform the ladies of Victoria and vicinity, and the public in general, that they have made a great reduction in the price of the following goods: Ladies' Trimmed and Untrimmed Bonnets, Trimmed Hats Leghorn and Straw, Black Silk Jackets, Dress Muslins, Grenadines and Summer Skirts.—LONDON HOUSE, VICTORIA, B. C.

FRED PAYNE has removed his Cheap Shaving Shop to the opposite side of Johnson street, just above the Miner's Saloon.

VICTORIA RIFLE CORPS.—Close firing, 3rd class, Tuesday and Friday at 4 p.m. By

## Auction Sales.

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BY ORDER OF CAPTAIN DINNELL,

WILL SELL,

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For Account of whom it may Concern,

Iron, Steel, Anvils.

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All lots, more or less

10,304 lbs 5 & 1/2 in. Round & Square Iron

54,252 lbs Round, Square & Flat Bars

9,461 lbs S. C. Crown Iron

2,189 lbs Iron Plates

2,072 lbs Small, Round and Square

1,900 lbs Iron, in Sheets

2,128 lbs Iron Hoops

691 lbs Iron, half round

3 bundles 1,008 lbs, Iron Wire

20 do Toe and Spring Steel, 3717 lbs

19 Anvils, 1560 lbs

2 cs Cast Steel, 983 lbs

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NO RESERVE

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## Auction Sales.

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